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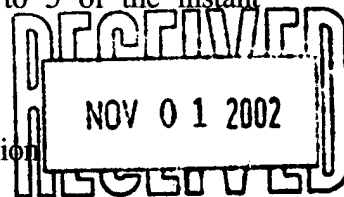
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The references have been discussed in detail on pages 2 to 5 of the instant specification.

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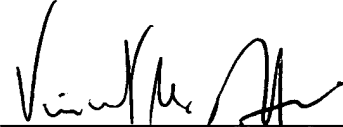
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